



Public Health
Prevent. Promote. Protect.

Frederick County Health Department

TO: Frederick County Board of Health
FROM: Barbara Brookmyer, MD, MPH, Frederick County Health Officer
RE: Board of Health Regulations
DATE: November 20, 2020

ISSUE:

Should the Board of Health (BOH) consider amendments to the BOH regulations 01-2020 adopted on Thursday, November 12, 2020 to provide clarity and incorporate recent Executive Orders from Governor Hogan?

BACKGROUND:

The following outlines areas of modification to the adopted BOH regulations, consistency with state Executive Orders, and provides explanation for the modifications.

- Recitals – The recitals are unchanged except for the last sentence, which notes the replacement of 01-2020 with the proposed amended BOH regulations 02-2020.
- Face Coverings – This section remains the same and mirrors the Governor’s Executive Order regarding face coverings issued on October 16, 2020.
- Section B incorporates several modifications:
 - B (1) simplifies the limitation on gathering size to 25 persons.
 - B (2) defines gatherings by providing some examples and clarifies that normal business operations remain subject to Governor’s Executive Order 20-11-17-01, which may be updated from time to time by the Governor.
 - Prior B (2) limiting religious facilities to 50% capacity is deleted due to the Governor’s Executive Order in the interim implementing the same limitation. Eliminating this section avoid confusion between county and state requirements.
 - Prior B (3) related to fitness centers and gyms is now B (4) remains unchanged.
 - New section B (3) related to wedding venues is proposed to level the playing field for these venues with food service establishments by requiring these venues to be subject to the same limitations and requirements for food service establishments as defined in state Executive Orders and Maryland Department of Health directives.
 - Prior B (4) is now incorporated more simply in B (1)
- A new Section C has been added to incorporate all state Executive Orders.
- All other sections remain the same except to note new dates and the replacement of prior regulations.

RECOMMENDATION: The Board of Health should adopt the modified regulations presented as BOH regulation 02-2020.



Barbara A. Brookmyer, M.D., M.P.H. ▪ Health Officer
350 Montevue Lane ▪ Frederick, MD 21702

Phone: 301-600-1029 ▪ Fax: 301-600-3111 ▪ MD TTY: 1-800-735-2258

